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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was born on January 15, 1929; Dr. King dedicated his life to the pursuit of equality for all, regardless of race, creed, or origin; and

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WHEREAS, Martin Luther King Jr. changed our nation forever through his leadership, service, and vision; and

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WHEREAS, Through his determination and spirit, Martin Luther King Jr. led one of the greatest movements for equality and freedom in history; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. King's movement still continues to this day; he advocated non-violent means to overcome the evil of racism in our society and broke down barriers within our society by encouraging Americans to look past their differences; and

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WHEREAS, The citizens of this great nation are challenged to demonstrate a commitment toward ending prejudice in the United States and bring to fruition Dr. King's dream of making America a better place for all; and

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WHEREAS, The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Steering Committee, a subcommittee of the Decatur Human Relations Commission, is hosting the 25th Annual Reverend Dr. Martin

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1 Luther King, Jr. Banquet on January 15, 2011; the theme is
2 "Where Do You Stand?"; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
4 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
5 recognize the life and legacy of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther
6 King Jr. and urge the people of the State of Illinois and the
7 nation at large to observe Martin Luther King Jr. Day on the
8 third Monday of January each year.